



Safe Transportation for Children with Special Needs

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Why are we here?



Objectives

- Identify three types of special needs restraints
- Explain how a conventional car seat can be used for a child with special needs
- List three ways that your community can include children with special needs in a car seat check event
- Identify special needs car seat resources

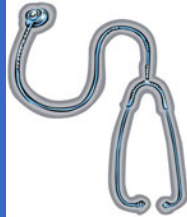


You can do it!

Medical Conditions

Who is the special needs child?

- Premature
- Low Birth Weight
- Orthopedic Conditions
- Developmental Delays
- Neuromuscular Disorders
- Respiratory Conditions
- Behavioral Challenges
- Gastrointestinal Conditions



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Car Beds

Angel Ride



For Infants:

Less than 9
pounds

Less than 20
inches



Car Beds

Dream Ride

For Infants:
5-20 pounds
19- 26 inches

Infant Only Seats

Infant Seat	Weight
Graco Assura	Birth-22 pounds
Compass 1400 Lightweight	Up to 22 pounds
Primo Viaggio Manufactured by Peg Perigo	Up to 22 pounds
Combi Connection	Birth-22 pounds
Companion Manufactured by Britax	4-22 pounds
Keyfit Manufactured by Chicco	4-22 pounds 4-11 pounds with insert

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Convertible Seats

- Keep kids rear-facing as long as possible
- Choose seats with higher harness weight limits
- Consider convertible seats that can be semi-reclined in the forward facing position



Britax Marathon
5-33 pounds RF
20-65 pounds FF

Forward Facing Seats

- Use seats that have a recline mechanism
- Choose seats with higher harness weight limits
- Always try to use a conventional seat first



Graco Safe Seat 2
20-40pounds FF

Specialized Restraints



Modified EZ-On Vest
20-100 pounds
Ages 2-12



Hippo
5-33 pounds RF
20-65 pounds FF
Up to 49 inches



The Roosevelt
35-115 pounds
33.5-66 inches

Case Study

- Child: 2 year old male; 36 pounds
- Near-drowning
- Tracheostomy
- Low Muscular Tone

Car Seat Check Up Events



- Remember most children can use a conventional seat
- You can do it!
- Don't need a Special Needs trained tech at the check-up event

Who Ya Gonna Call?

SAFE TRANSPORTATION FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Special Needs Trained Technicians

NAME	PHONE	EMAIL
JOHN J. BERRY	800.451.4511	john.berry@nhtsa.gov
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Automotive Questions

MAKE A SOUND

What's your next step?

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Notes



Tools for Success



- Visit the Automotive Safety Program online
- Contact a local technician that has been trained
- Attend training *Safe Transportation for All Children*

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